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### NO PEACE FOR TAXPAYERS IN WAR DEPT. DEMANDS

**Secretary Baker Figures Army Needs on a War Basis and Asks \$1,200,000,000 for 1921—47,000 Civil Employees for an Army of 280,000.**

By Martin Green.

(Staff Correspondent of The Evening World.)  
WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Examination of the estimates of appropriations asked for by the War Department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1921, establishes that the War Department not only fails to realize that the war is over but thinks that, at several points included in War Department activities, the nation is deeper in war than it was a year ago.

Many items of contemplated expenditure for the coming fiscal year are higher than appropriations made for the same items in the fiscal year which will close June 30 next. Although the army organized to fight Germany has been demobilized and the armed land force of the United States numbers approximately only 280,000 men, the War Department has uncovered opportunities for spending money which did not exist when the demands for appropriations were made up in the Summer and Fall of 1918 and the American Expeditionary Forces were under arms.

Only eleven of the numerous items in the War Department estimates calling for appropriations that should have been dropped or materially reduced at the end of the war furnish opportunity for learning how many civilian employees are provided for. These items call for the employment of 47,212 mechanics, artisans, laborers and clerks.

The labor market of the country is depleted and shortage of labor is the chief cause of the high price of food. The War Department's effort to continue war conditions would take, in eleven items alone, 47,212 men out of productive employment and fasten them on the Government payroll.

#### CAUSES A TWO-EDGED SITUATION.

A two-edged situation will result from this programme if it is carried through. The 47,212 will not only reduce productive industry's output to the extent that productive industry is deprived of their effort, but their maintenance will be thrust upon the taxpayers, while their energy will be bent toward the prosecution of a war which does not exist.

Secretary of the Treasury Glass announced last November that the gross Treasury deficiency on June 30, 1920, would amount to \$3,905,888,543 and that the minimum gross deficiency on June 30, 1921 would amount to \$2,009,336,528 with a strong possibility that it would total close to \$4,000,000,000. At that time the estimates of the War Department and all the other departments and the bureaus of the amount which will be required in the fiscal year 1920-1921, were in.

All had been computed on a war basis—on the assumption that war conditions will prevail up to two years and eight months after the signing of the armistice.

It is quite natural that the War Department, having taken part in a real war, should desire to continue to function in a warlike manner, but the developments show that it is warring against the overburdened taxpayers and that its example has impregnated every branch of the Government.

There are two military establishment plans before the Congress, one backed by Secretary Baker, calling for the expenditure of a minimum of \$1,200,000,000, the other fathered by Senator Wadsworth of New York, calling for the expenditure of about \$1,300,000,000. Secretary Baker's plan asks the country to spend—in round figures—\$989,000,000 on the military establishment, \$194,578,000 on coast fortifications, including \$20,000,000 for new work on the Panama Canal, \$18,245,000 on the Panama Canal proper, \$8,306,000 on Soldiers' Homes, &c., a fixed charge on the country, and \$6,615,000 for the maintenance of the War Department proper.

#### INTENT ON RUNNING COUNTRY ON WAR BASIS.

The demands of the War Department and the military establishment cover many pages of the table of appropriations with which the Congress is wrestling, and space limitations compel confinement to only a few items of comparisons which will clearly show that Washington is intent on running the country on a war basis.

Right off the reel, as it were, pops out the evidence that the War Department figures we will be more actively engaged in war next year than we are this year—although the country is at peace with all nations. Take the item "Pay of the Army."

For the year beginning July 1, 1920, \$338,240,000 will be expended for pay of the army unless Congress takes steps to end the war in the Government bureau. This year we are spending only \$214,000,000 for pay of the army, and in 1916, when the Mexican border trouble was impending, pay of the army cost \$50,029,000. In the face of a possible deficit, the people are asked to pay the army \$124,240,000 more next year than they are paying the army this year.

In 1916 the Signal Corps cost \$700,000. This year—on a basis of appro-

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### WILSON EXPECTED TO BE BACK AT HIS DESK IN SPRING

President Steadily Improving  
and No Complications Now  
Confront Doctors.

EAGER FOR MORE WORK.

His Favorite Diversions Are  
Reading and Witnessing  
White House 'Movies.'

By David Lawrence.

(Special Correspondent of The Evening World.)

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. (Copyright, 1920.)—President Wilson seems to be getting along about as well as could be expected for a man who has had a severe nervous breakdown. Interest in his condition appears much more acute outside of the National capital than inside, where the indisposition of the President has become a matter of course and where official folk, busy with a multitude of things, have come to a methodical system of handling the business which ordinarily would have the attention of Mr. Wilson.

Inquiry at the White House reveals that the President walks about his bedroom and the upper apartments of the house with the aid of a cane, but that he is wheeled outdoors to avoid slipping on the snow covered portico, and steps. He seems to enjoy his daily exposure to the winter weather, which for Washington is rather extreme nowadays and more like that of a city along the Great Lakes than one south of Mason and Dixon's line.

The President leads more or less a monotonous life—closed in from all friends and official colleagues. Dr. Cary Grayson, his physician, manages to keep Senators, Cabinet members and Ambassadors from seeing the President, as the latter has preferred that official matters be put in writing. The President spends from an hour to three hours a day reading memoranda and the newspapers, and feels in fairly close touch with what is going on outside of the Executive mansion.

#### EXPECTED AT HIS DESK IN SPRING.

As for a description of the President's condition, it was told that the President was "progressing," and that each week saw some improvement. Inquiring whether his rate of recovery was slower than expected, the answer was that Mr. Wilson's convalescence was "encouragingly" good.

There still seems to be need for mental and physical rest with nobody able to guess accurately just how

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### 895 ARRESTED AS PROFITEERS; ONLY 28 CONVICTED

Penalties Have Ranged up to \$1,000  
Fine, With a Year's  
Imprisonment.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6. THE campaign against food profiteers and hoarders has netted a total of 895 arrests, the Department of Justice announced to-day. While only a small number of these cases have been brought to trial, the prosecutions so far have resulted in twenty-eight convictions, officials said, penalties ranging upward to a fine of \$5,000, with one year imprisonment.

More than 100 arrests have been made for profiteering in sugar. Eleven convictions have been obtained thus far on sugar profiteering charges, and less than one-fourth of the cases have come to trial, according to officials.

### LOYD GEORGE DENIES ACCEPTING U. S. RESERVATIONS

No Cable Sent to Senator  
Lodge—France Agrees  
to Changes.

LONDON, Feb. 6.—A special despatch received here from New York states it is rumored that Premier Lloyd George has cabled his acceptance of proposed reservations to the Versailles treaty to Senator Lodge and other members of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee. Inquiries at the Premier's official residence have evoked the reply that the rumor was not true.

In an informal interview Mr. Lloyd George was asked his opinion of Lord Grey's letter about the peace reservations in the American Senate. He replied instantly that he could not put himself in the position of advising America regarding her own business. He said he regarded Grey's letter as a sort of unofficial report to the British people about his observations while in America.

Even, he said, if America stands aloof in European affairs, the whole of Europe will always be under a debt of gratitude to America that it can never repay.

France has decided to accept the American reservations to the peace treaty, according to the Paris correspondent of the London Times.

### CUMMINGS ENGAGES 170 ROOMS IN HOTEL

Democratic Chairman's Assistant  
Makes Reservations for  
National Committee.

SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 6.—The Palace Hotel has been selected by George F. Mara, assistant to Homer S. Cummings, Chairman of the Democratic National Committee, as headquarters of the party leaders during the convention, beginning June 28.

Mr. Mara, it was announced to-day, has reserved 170 rooms for use by members of the National Committee and the press representatives of the country.

**SINGS AT HIS OWN FUNERAL.**  
MOUNT VERNON, Ill., Feb. 6.—W. N. Smith sang at his own funeral here to-day. Six years ago Smith and his first wife sang "Rock of Ages." Their voices were reproduced on a phonograph record. The record was suggested as part of the service to-day by Smith's second wife.

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### TUGS GO TO PRINCESS ANNE TO TAKE OFF ALL ON BOARD

**Liner Princess Anne Ashore  
Off Rockaway With 104 Aboard**



### SERVICE ON ELEVATED CARS BEING RESTORED TO NORMAL

Surface Lines Still Tied Up by  
Ice and Snow—Street Clean-  
ing Interfered With.

Milder weather and unremitting efforts on the part of traction officials held out the promise this afternoon that when New Yorkers start homeward this evening they will find that the traffic crisis due to the storm has passed and that approximately normal service will be given on the subways and elevated lines.

Surface lines are still battling with the conditions left in the trail of the storm. The trolley slots are choked with packed snow and ice, although hundreds of men have been at work all day clearing the tracks where possible.

At the office of the Interborough this afternoon it was said that the third rails of the elevated system have been completely cleared of the snow and ice.

Every effort will be made to handle the increased crowds expected as a result of the stoppage of surface cars.

Officials of the Third Avenue Company and of the Second Avenue Trolley Company said that service on those systems was being steadily improved, and that by night it was hoped that a number of cars would be running. The Third Avenue Company announced that it intends using storage battery cars on the Amsterdam Avenue line until it could clear the tracks and resume normal service.

Commissioner MacKay of the Department of Public Safety said:

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**225 MEN'S OVERCOAT OR SUIT, \$17.95.**  
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### Dominion Liner Ashore Off Rock- away Point Pounded by High Waves—Passengers and Crew in Peril—11 Other Vessels in Distress.

The Naval Communications Bureau received a radio from the Princess Anne at 3 o'clock this afternoon, saying that the ship's dynamo would not last much longer, that part of the aerial of the wireless was down, the rest covered with ice, the mast broken and half of the batteries were out of commission. The message said the ship would not be able to communicate by wireless much longer.

Twelve ships are in distress on the two sides of Long Island, all of them signalling for help and none of them getting it, although extraordinary efforts are being made on land and water.

The gravest situation is that of the Old Dominion Line steamship Princess Anne, which is aground off Rockaway Point, her No. 3 hold full of water, her galley shaft strained, her hull pounded by waves that run twenty-five feet high.

### \$90,000 IN BONDS STOLEN FROM SAFE

Strong Box in James Deering's  
Office in Broadway  
Forced.

Thieves last night entered the office of James H. Deering at No. 135 Broadway, opened the outside door of the safe by using a combination and forced the inside door open, and stole \$90,000 worth of bonds.

### CAUSE HAS CEASED FOR HIGH PRICES

Statistician Declares Increases Are  
Not Justified by Economic  
Conditions.

CHICAGO, Feb. 6.—Constant increases in prices of commodities are entirely unjustified by economic conditions, J. E. Carney, statistician for A. O. Slaughter and Company, bankers, said here to-day.

"The fundamental causes which were instrumental in creating high prices have in many instances ceased to exist," Carney said.

"Take the latest announcement of an increase in the price of bread here for example. During the past sixty days the best grades of bakers' flour have declined \$1.50 to \$2 a barrel, while hard wheat has declined 8 to 10 cents a bushel. To attribute the advance to a shortage of wheat supplies is preposterous in view of the fact that the country, from present indications, will carry over into the next crop a surplus of 150,000,000 bushels."

### FUND 10 BILLIONS LOANS.

Approval Said to Have Been Given  
by Congress Committee.

WASHINGTON, Feb. 6.—Approval by the House Ways and Means Committee of the proposal to fund the \$10,000,000,000 of American loans to foreign countries and to defer collection of interest for not more than three years was said to have been indicated to-day at an executive session of the committee.

Final decision was deferred till next week.

### FALL RIVER LINER IS CAUGHT IN ICE FLOE.

Another caught in the ice and now lying off Larchmont is the Fall River steamship City of Lowell. All told there are nine steamships, two sailing vessels and one coal barge ice-bound. All these can be seen from the shore, but some of them are so far out that their names are not legible even with powerful binoculars.

A tug which started to help the Maine is also reported to be stuck fast. None of these ships is said to be in immediate danger.

Several tugs are fighting their way toward the Princess Anne, which is being buffeted dangerously by the sea. Experts said the vessel could not stand many hours of this sort of pounding without breaking to pieces.

Officials of the company were hopeful, however, that lines could be got to the ship and that she could be hauled off.

After many futile efforts to launch

### CALAMITY HOWLER NIXON!

THURSDAY:

NEW YORK, Public Service Commissioner Nixon said, is facing the most serious coal shortage in its history.

The B. R. T., he said, has only two days' supply and then will face a shut down.

The Interborough has 5,000 tons and thinks it can operate one day or possibly two. He wanted heat shut off in the midway. He pointed with criticism to the coal and gas.

"It is not beyond all physical effect," said the Commissioner, "and we must place our trust in the Lord."

FRIDAY—24 HOURS LATER.

PRESIDENT FRANK HEIL-

LEY of the Interborough said to-day that the public need not be apprehensive of a sudden stoppage of subways and elevated because of lack of coal.

While the supply is not as large as he would like to have it, Mr. Heilley said, there is enough on hand and in sight to avoid a crisis. Coal is continuing to come in, he said, at the 30th Street and 4th Street powerhouses.

Officials of the Tide Water Exchange to-day said that 200 cars of coal would be unloaded here before nightfall.